

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method generates normalized representations of strings, in particular sentences. The method, which can be used for translation, receives an input string. The input string is subjected to a first operation out of a plurality of
5 operating functions for linguistically processing the input string to generate a first normalized representation of the input string that includes linguistic information. The first normalized representation is then subjected to a second operation for replacing linguistic information in the first normalized representation by abstract variables and to generate a second normalized
10 representation.

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